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TANK BATTALION
LA QUEBRADITA MILITARY BARRACKS AREA, NICARAGUA

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** THE PROBABLE ARMORED UNIT, SEEN [REDACTED] 25X1
[REDACTED] IS NOW CONFIRMED AS A TANK BATTALION. 25X1
(SWN)

2. **REMARKS:** AT LEAST 19 MEDIUM TANKS AND ONE ARMORED RECOVERY
VEHICLE ARE PRESENT. MOST OF THE TANKS ARE CANVAS COVERED.
OTHER EQUIPMENT IN GARRISON INCLUDES SIX BTR-60PB ARMORED
PERSONNEL CARRIERS (APC), 50 W-50 CARGO TRUCKS, AND FIVE OTHER
VEHICLES. VEHICLE STORAGE SHEDS NEAR THE TANKS ARE STILL UNDER
CONSTRUCTION. (SWN)

IT CANNOT BE DETERMINED IF THIS TANK BATTALION IS A NEW UNIT
FORMED WITH EQUIPMENT WHICH HAS ENTERED NICARAGUA UNDETECTED,
OR IF IT IS A KNOWN TANK BATTALION WHICH HAS RELOCATED.
HOWEVER, THE NEW SHED CONSTRUCTION, THE ARRIVAL OF THE TANKS
PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF THE SHEDS, AND THE CONTINUED CANVAS
COVERING OF THE EQUIPMENT SUGGESTS IT IS A NEW TANK BATTALION.
LA QUEBRADITA IS ON THE SOUTHERN EDGE OF MANAGUA. (SWN)

3. [REDACTED], COORDINATES 12-07-15N 086-17-10W 25X1

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